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In re Application of:

Hermkens et al.

Application No. 10/887,484

Filed: July 8, 2004 Title of Invention:

METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING A

SEQUENTIAL BACKPLANE

DECISION GRANTING PETITION UNDER

37 CFR 1.47(a)

This is in response to a Petition Under 37 CFR 1.47, filed April 18, 2005, to allow the other inventor(s) to proceed with the application on behalf of himself or herself and the nonsigning inventor.

The petition is granted.

The above-identified application and papers have been reviewed and found in compliance with 37 CFR 1.47(a). This application is hereby accorded Rule 1.47(a) status.

Petitioner has shown that the non-signing inventor, Peter J.M. Thoolen, refuses to join in the application.

As provided in Rule 1.47(a), this Office will forward notice of this application's filing to the non-signing inventor at the address given in the Petition. Notice of the filing of this application will also be published in the Official Gazette.

The application file is being returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for continued processing.

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